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Budget cutting

Algonquin Highlands trims spending by 10 per cent

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The township of Algonquin Highlands is tightening its purse strings with its 2009 budget.

The budget, a draft of which was reviewed and discussed by councillors during two days of meetings last week, will drastically cut capital expenditures and give township residents a 10 per cent decrease in their municipal tax rate.

"We've roughly cut our capital expenditures in half," chief administrative officer Lorne Mitchell told councillors as he gave them an overview of the new budget on January 22.

While the township budgeted nearly $2,600,000 for capital expenses in 2008, this year just more than $1,200,000 has been allotted for capital projects.

Far and away the most expensive of these will be the renovation of the Buckslide Bridge, for which nearly $690,000 has been reserved.

Council has yet to hold final meetings with consultants regarding the project, which will see the bridge's existing alignment outfitted with a new deck.

Other major capital expenditures include the purchase of a new tandem plow truck for $220,000 and nearly $70,000 in improvements to

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Matt James/TIMES

Race to the finish

Minden Girl Guide Makenzy Jewett and her puller Flurry chase after nine-year-old Maria Perrin at the Perrins' farm in Gelert as part of a fun outing to learn about dogsledding. See page 20 for more photos.

Rail Trail users still split over sovereignty

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

There is still a fork in the road when it comes to the Haliburton County Rail Trail.

Advocates and opponents of motorized use of the trail made their way to county council chambers on January 22 for a public meeting before members of the Haliburton County Rail Trail Management committee.

The committee, which consists of local politicians, stakeholder representatives and employees of the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network, will soon be drawing up a new five-year master plan for the trail, which extends south from Haliburton village to Kinmount.

Dave Bradley, who owns South Wind Motel with his wife Pat, told the committee that ATV riders who utilize the trail have been a boon for his business.

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Racing charges laid

A 58-year-old Highlands East man has been charged with racing as a result of radar patrol on Monday.

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Jenn Watt/TIMES

No charges were laid in a collision on County Road 1 on January 26 after the driver of a Dodge Caravan lost control of the vehicle, hitting an oncoming pickup.

Two suffer minor injuries in crash

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Two people were injured Monday afternoon when a Dodge Caravan and a Ford Ranger collided on County Road 1.

Jacklin Shank, 18, was driving the Caravan toward Gelert around the S bend when she lost control and her van moved into the eastbound lane and was hit by the oncoming Ranger.

Police, EMS and firefighters all responded to the accident.

The pickup truck was being driven by Greg Roe of Minden Hills.

Both drivers were taken to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. A second passenger in Shank's car was not hurt. No charges were laid.

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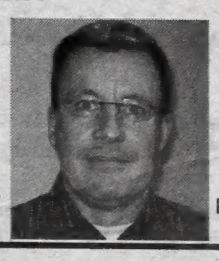
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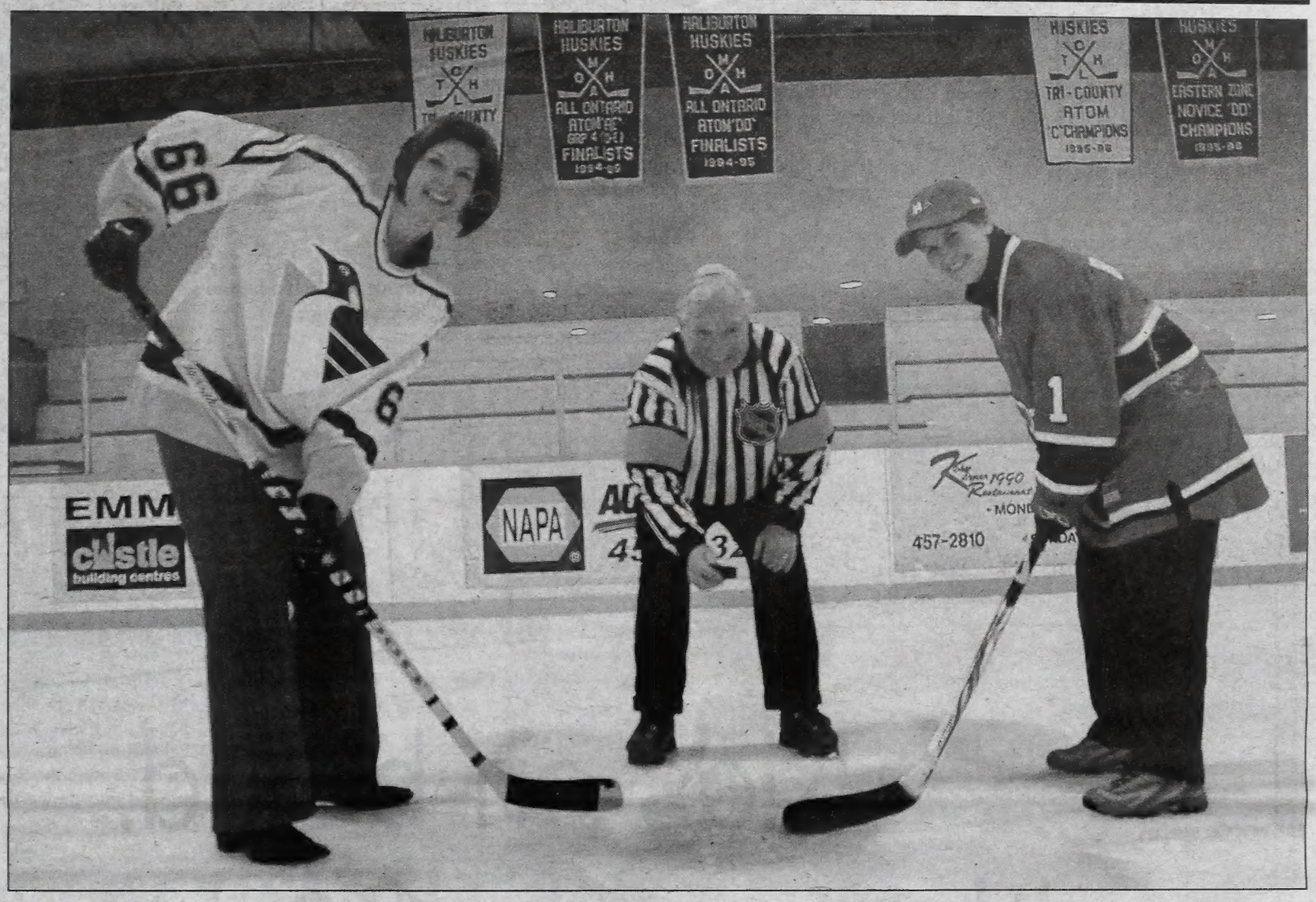

Community Care Haliburton County staff members Hilary Elia, left, and Brigitte Gebauer line up for a face off with Community Care board member Scotty Morrison, a retired NHL refereein-chief and one of the founders of the Hockey Hall of Fame. Next weekend Community Care and its inaugural Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament is set to launch in Minden and Haliburton to help raise funds for the services provided by Community Care.

Matt James/TIMES

Stanley Cup, Michael Burgess, great hockey

Scotty Morrison charity event promises to be an exciting weekend for everyone

by MATT JAMES
Times Staff

Roll out the red carpet – Lord Stanley's Cup is coming to Haliburton County this weekend as part of Community Care Haliburton County's latest fundraising effort, the Scotty Morrison Charity hockey tournament.

Hockey's holy grail is just one of the weekend's attractions to help raise funds for the organization's support of the county's older residents and those who are physically challenged. The weekend also includes the chance to sing the national anthem along with singing sensation Michael Burgess.

Morrison, a retired NHL referee-in-chief and former chief executive of the Hockey Hall of Fame, has made quite a few friends during his time in hockey and he's invited them up to participate in his charity tournament.

"They do such a fantastic job in the community," said Morrison of Community Care and its volunteers. "The whole aspect of keeping seniors in their homes, meals on wheels, volunteers taking people to hospital visits, shopping, etc. That's why I got involved – I saw this as something that could really help the community."

The weekend is jam-packed with excitement for hockey fans and the action starts Friday night at the Haliburton Legion.

Starting at 7 p.m. the Hockey Hall of Fame's keeper of the cup, Phil Pritchard, will host "Cup Stories," an evening of spectacular stories about the Stanley Cup told by Pritchard, along with a couple of hockey heroes, legendary NHL linesman Ray Scapinello and Ron Ellis, former player of the Toronto Maple Leafs and a member of Team Canada's 1972 Summit Series.

It's also the night the public can have their picture taken with the Stanley Cup for a small donation.

"It's the one trophy in all of professional sport that has something mystic about it," Morrison says. "I mean people see it and say 'that's the Stanley Cup' and they can't believe it, whether you're a hockey fan or not."

Tournament play begins Saturday with teams facing off at both the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden and the Dysart et al arena in Haliburton. And as final preparations come to a close Morrison says it's not too late to sign a team up for the event.

Originally Morrison and the tournament's steering committee were aiming for 20 teams to participate and currently there are 17 teams signed up.

Sponsorship is also available and while all of the gold sponsorship spots have been filled, Morrison said silver and bronze sponsorships are still available for $250 and $100 respectively.

Following Friday night's fun Saturday night is not to be outdone. The evening begins with a ceremonial puck drop by former Toronto chief of police Julian Fantino prior to the much anticipated hockey game between the World Champion Canadian National Amputee Team and the Ontario Provincial Police team.

The game will be officiated by Scapinello, who after the game will sign and donate his game-refereed jersey to the weekend-long silent auctions in both arenas.

Game time is 7 p.m. at S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena in Minden and admssion is by donation.

Prior to that game will be the singing of our national anthem by hockey fanatic and star of *Les Miserables,* Michael Burgess.

"Michael just loves to play hockey," said Morrison, who told of Burgess's travels across Canada with the NHL Oldtimers/Alumni team singing anthems and playing a little hockey here and there with the team.

On Saturday at the Minden arena will be the draw for the four raffle prizes. Those prizes include a hockey print by Vic Gibbons, a Montreal Canadians 100th Anniversary signed print, and an autographed jersey and stick by Canada's 2008 IIHF World Men's Championship Team.

In additional to all the excitement Canoe FM host Roxanne Casey will be live-to-air on Saturday. When it's all said and done it is Morrison's hope that $15,000 will be donated to Community Care Haliburton County.

To sign up a team, become a sponsor, buy a ticket for the raffle or for any further inquiries about the tournament call Community Care at 457-2941.

See this Thursday's Weekender for more details about the hockey tournament

Parties open byelection campaign offices in Lindsay

The byelection in Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock hasn't been officially declared yet, but campaign offices are sprouting in Lindsay.

Progressive Conservative leader John Tory's camp has set up at 85 Kent St. W. and can be reached at 705-878-7922.

Liberal candidate Rick Johnson's team is at 153 Kent St. W. The phone number is 705-324-0909 and the fax is 705-324-0044.

Mike Schreiner of the Ontario Green Party is at 30 Kent St. W. The number is 705-344-2575 and website is www.mikeschreiner.ca .

The Reform Party of Ontario has announced it will field a candidate and has plans to hold a nomination meeting on March 14.

The NDP has not yet announced whether it will run.

Snowbirds from the riding can stay up-to-date on news of the upcoming byelection on the Internet, but anyone who will not be in the region for the vote needs to have a proxy in place.

Expectations are that the byelection is likely in March, when many residents may be away in warmer climates.

To get a proxy in place, information is available from Elections Ontario at 1-888-668-8683 or go to www.elections.on.ca.

School board questions viability of meeting webcasts

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board will be surveying the parents of its students as well as local media outlets to find out how much use they make of the board's web casts.

While board meetings and committee-of-the-whole meetings are broadcast on the Internet, the question of just how many people are watching the webcasts was brought up at a recent committee-of-the-whole meeting in Minden.

Because committee-of-the-whole meetings take place in three locations – Lindsay, Minden and Haliburton – thosys are broadcast in a split-screen fashion.

Some trustees contended that this makes each screen too small to be of any real value to viewers.

Muskoka trustee Norah Fountain strongly disagreed.

"It's about access to information," Fountain said in an impassioned speech about why the service should be maintained.

Fountain said it was hypocritical of the board to embrace technology in the classroom, teaching students that videoconferencing and other technologies would be an integral part of the future, if it is unable to successfully employ those technologies itself.

She said the move would also be violation of a deal that was made with the northern school boards when they amalgamated in the late 1990s.

Because of low public turnout for board and committee meetings there was also talk among trustees of shutting down the remote locations in Minden and Bracebridge, where the public can gather to watch the webcasts..

Again, Fountain said this was unfair, not only because of the commute it would create for some members, but also because it would make board proceedings too "Lindsay-centric."

The board will be surveying parents and media in the near future and also closely monitoring hits on its website.

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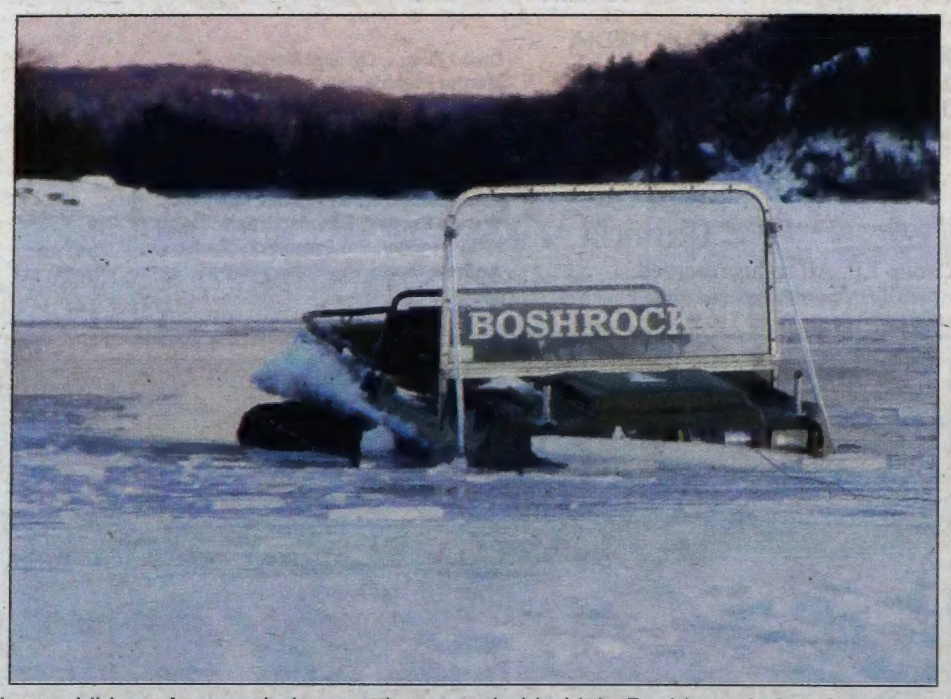

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This amphibious Argo ended up getting stranded in Little Boshkung Lake after it was used to try to retrieve a sunken snowmobile.

Rescue vehicle ends up needing to be rescued

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

Stanhope firefighters rescued two passengers stranded on their Argo Saturday afternoon in Little Boshkung Lake. The Argo was spotted by some off-duty volunteer firefighters who were pulling a snowmobile out of the water nearby.

"The [off-duty firefighters] saw people in distress and called dispatch for the department," said fire chief John Hogg.

The people in the Argo were also trying to rescue a a snowmobile that had gone through the ice. Though amphibious, the Argo – ironically named Boshrocker – was unable to climb out of the water back onto the ice.

Its passengers were rescued by firefighters using their inflatable boat.

No one was hurt in the incident.

Win a prize for the best winter photo of Minden

Leading up to Winterfest (February 14 to 16), local shutterbugs can enter the Winterfest Minden Photo Contest.

Submissions will be accepted in four categories: Winter Activity/Action, Winter Scenes, Winter People, and new this year: Winter Critters. All photos must have been taken in the township of Minden Hills.

While photographs taken by both digital and film cameras are welcome, contestants must submit a hard copy of their photograph. Entries will be on display at the Minden Cultural Centre on Saturday Feb 14 and at the Community Centre on the 15 and 16. Anyone can vote for their favourite for the People's Choice Award. Entry deadline is Friday, February 13 at 12 p.m.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Budget time

Tough times call for tough measures, as the cliché goes, and the Township of Algonquin Highlands has made some difficult decisions in the drafting of its 2009 budget.

In a conservative but perhaps necessary move, the township has produced a budget that drastically reduces capital spending, cuts funding from some of its services, draws on reserve funds and provides township residents with a 10 per cent decrease in their municipal tax rates.

It was clear from budget talks last week that chief administrative officer Lorne Mitchell and his staff put much thought and time into the creation of the budget.

Mitchell described the process as "challenging," and surely making a decision to cut nearly $100,000 from the township's fire department for training, education, mileage and property and equipment repairs was not an easy one.

There is a sporting chance, by the way, that the department will see about $20,000 of that money returned, after councillors skimmed nearly $30,000 from various costs out of the draft budget.

The lean budget also poses a danger that next year, loftier allocations may be required to make up for some of the funding shortfalls of 2009.

Getting into that sort of pendulum-pattern budgeting could be troublesome for the municipality, but Mitchell seemed confident that the cuts had been made with enough measure and foresight that a ballooning budget for 2010 would not be necessary.

And there is no doubt that residents of the municipality will enjoy their tax cut.

With the country facing what are arguably its worst economic conditions since the 1930s, ratepayers will be glad to have an extra few dollars in their saving accounts.

The current economic downturn is large and severe enough in scale that governments should be making unusual concessions in their financial considerations.

Business in 2009 will be anything but business as usual.

All parties should share Rail Trail

Share the land.

While Burton Cummings and The Guess Who were not at the public meeting concerning the Haliburton County Rail Trail last week, the message from their classic '70s rock tune would have gone a long way.

Motorized and non-motorized users of the trail need to learn how to share the corridor.

While some hikers and cyclists complain that ATV riders are creating noisy, unpleasant and unsafe conditions on the trail, the members of the local ATV association put time and money into maintaining the trail and repairing the damage their machines do its surface.

While snowmobiles currently have exclusive use of the trail in the winter, cross-country skiers and hikers should be able to use the trail if they so choose.

Responsible and vigilant driving on the part of snowmobile riders should be able to rule out any fatal mishaps.

Chad Ingram

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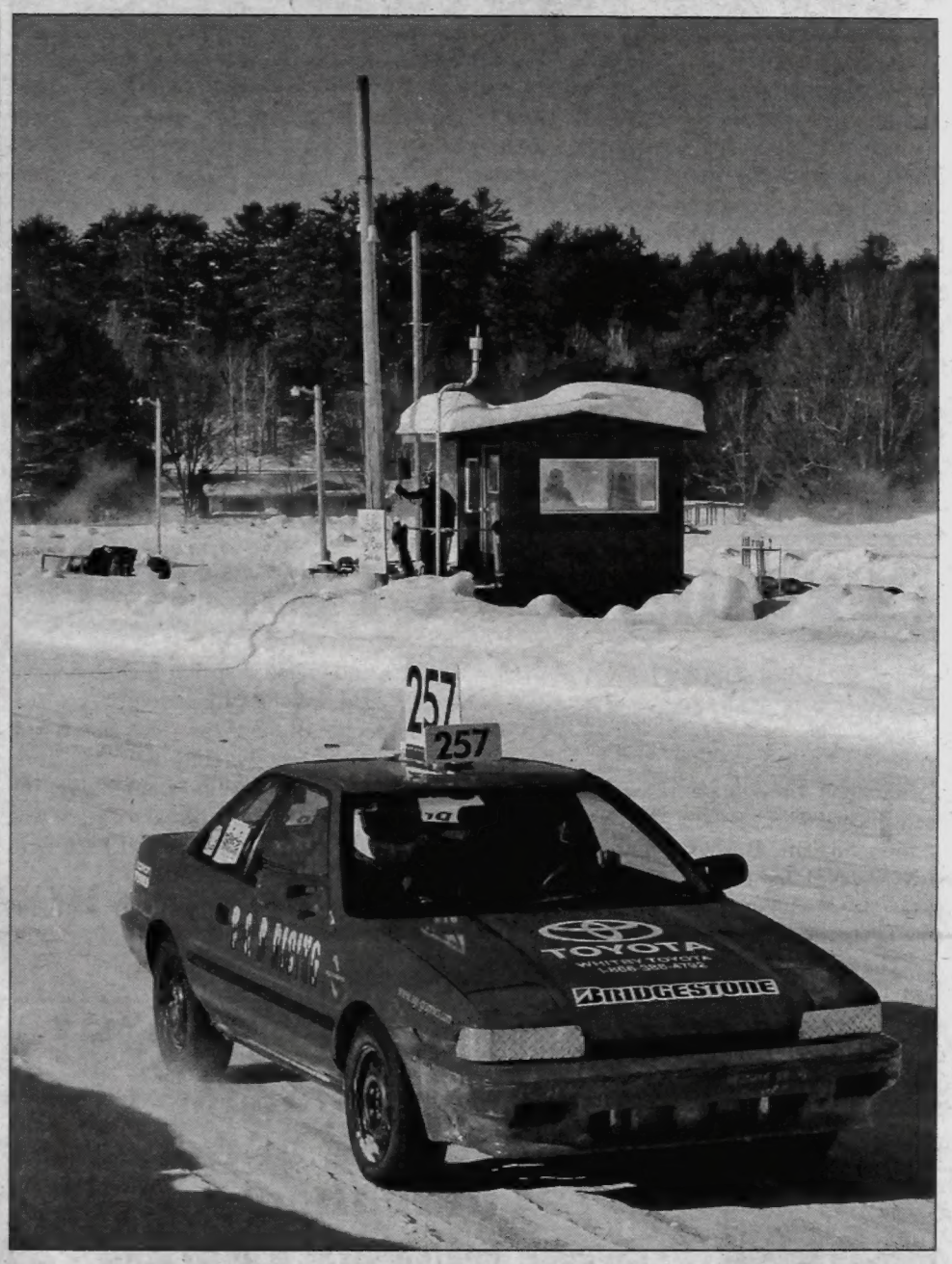

IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Putting it on ice — Photo by Chad Ingram

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

ATVs should go

To the Editor:

I am writing in regard to the notice of public meeting in the January 7 *Minden Times* regarding the five-year review of the Haliburton County Rail Trail. I picked up my copy of the Times too late for a written submission by the deadline and due to work commitments was unable to attend last Thursday's meeting, though I very much wish I could have.

The Rail Trail goes through my farm near Gelert for quite a distance. I learned long ago to get over the injustice of having a trail go right through the heart of my family's century farm for the sake of motorized entertainment. Land expropriated decades ago for a defunct railway will never be returned to its rightful owners. Fine. I get it.

However, I still feel compelled as a local taxpayer to voice some ideas as to how this trail is used, hopefully to its maximum potential.

Wintertime use as a snowmobile trail makes sense. Snowmobile tourists will and do come to a long and well-groomed trail and bring with them much needed financial benefit in the form of food, lodging and fuel purchases during a slow time of year.

The same cannot be said of summertime all-terrain vehicle use of the trail, in my opinion. ATV use of this trail is simply wrong and outdated on numerous levels.

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INOTHERWORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

We don't need to know

I WAS PERUSING VARIOUS HEADLINES last week looking for something interesting to read when I came across a new low in reporting. There, in bold letters, was the title, Robert Downey Jr. Loves to Google Self.

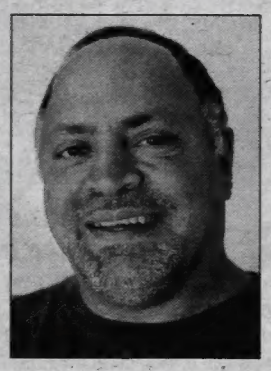
Needless to say, I didn't have the stomach to read beyond the headline.

Look, I'm a live-and-let-live kind of guy but even I have to admit that this is getting ridiculous. Truthfully, I could care less if Robert Downey Jr. Googles himself in the privacy of his own home, but must the rest of us hear about it?

I suppose it was a slow news week so perhaps we can forgive the reporter for that. Yet, I think we should all worry more than a bit about this too. After all, this suggests another societal change that we might not be ready for. After all, it was in the entertainment section.

Not that long ago, no one in polite company ever brought up the subject of Googling. Now this kind of activity passes for headline material.

Sure, it is a perfectly natural thing. I'll even confess that I'm not against it, so long as it remains within the confines of a loving relationship. But it certainly isn't the kind of activity we need to read about. If you ask me, this is far too personal.



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Steve Galea

Between you and me, I blame it all on the Internet. Before society became lost in cyberspace you never even heard of people Googling. Now it seems that everyone is Googling someone, or, as this sad story suggests, even themselves.

What's wrong with Robert Downey Jr. anyhow? Where is his shame? Not only does he admit to Googling himself but he also confesses to loving it. Loving it? Please. He's a public figure and movie star. People look up to him.

I won't lie to you; I've Googled myself a time or two. But I can honestly say that I have never loved it. At best, it served a purpose and, yes, it even made me feel a bit better about myself, if only for a short while. But in the end I also felt a whole lot of shame for being so self-indulgent. Till now, I never told anyone about it.

If you ask me, it's far better when someone else Googles you. Then, at least, it doesn't appear so desperate. Heck, you might even impress them.

Don't get me wrong; I'm not advocating that Googling should be a casual thing either. I mean if everyone Googled themselves or others, we'd get nothing done.

Relax; I am not about to delve into the morality of Googling. But I will say that every time you Google you run the risk of viruses. You should at least be aware of that.

I suppose all I'm trying to get across is that some things should always be private. If you must Google yourself or others, please do us all a favour and do so in the confines of a secure location. Then keep it between yourself and your laptop.

It's all about showing a bit of decorum. I don't care if you are a movie star in desperate need of publicity. No one needs to know about what you do in your Downey time. It doesn't have to make international headlines.

Now, if you Yahooed yourself.... Well, that'd be different.

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Too many Torys

THE SCONE-EATERS in the bay window of the tearoom at the Sapsucker Arms are all a-twitter because there is a new name in their midst.

There are no new faces among the old four hacks who are up for a weekend at a cottage on Horned Grebe Lake. Just the new name.

Josh Smith is to be the new moniker of the Honourable Member for the 19th century. The former Tory whose first name was not John wishes to distinguish himself from the Tory whose first name IS John.

"Too many Torys," explains the soon-to-be former Tory.

"True enough," exclaims Lefty, the Honourable Member for Toronto's Chattering Classes.

"Even one Tory is too many," agrees Grit, the Honourable Member for Soccer Moms.

The three old curmudgeons have been warming the back benches at Queen's Park since a moment after time begun. Fixx, their cottage host, began arranging favours for politicians a minute after that.

Old Delahanty is at the next table over with his friend Mrs. Faraday and Young Robichaux, who came to the tearoom to hitch a ride back to Horned Grebe Lake with Delahanty.

Like the old politicians, The Brown Dog Jiggs is all a-twitter, dashing hither and yon, making leaping one-snap catches of gooseberry scone crumbs as they fly through the air.

BACKOFBEYOND

Neil Campbell

"Josh Smith." Young Robichaux ponders it for a moment. "Didn't he used to be the Honourable Member for Missinaba County?"

There is a long silence. Finally Grit speaks up. "Josh Smith. Never heard of him. That Josh Smith, I mean. Never heard of Missinaba County, either. Did they merge it with Lennox and Addington?"

Just then, the waitress Gretchen comes along with another platter of scones. "Lennox and Addington – that sounds like a Bay Street law firm," she says. "Missinaba County exists, or existed, only in the imagination of Stephen Leacock."

Lefty frowns for a moment. "Leacock – didn't he used to play for the Blackhawks?"

"No," says Grit. "I think we passed a Leacock museum on the way up. What did he do anyhow?"

"He wrote Sunshine Sketches of a Little Town," Old Delahanty says. "Read it and you will discover that politics were just as silly a hundred years ago as they are now."

Fixx fixes an eye on Smith/Tory. "So, you're going to stop being a Tory. It worked for Scott Brison. That got him a job in the Paul Martin cabinet."

Smith/Tory chimes in. "And when he was still a Conservative, he stepped aside so his leader could run in his riding and sit in the House of Commons. So there is nothing new under the sun in politics."

Mrs. Faraday pretends to know nothing about politics. "If I were you, I'd keep my name until after the byelection. You might still be the only Tory at Queen's Park.

"People in the next riding over are fit to be tied. They liked the member they had and now she's abandoned them to save a city slicker who probably wouldn't even win a straw vote in his own caucus."

"The Premier wasn't going to oppose Tory in the election, but then I think he realized he could be beaten and changed his mind," says Gretchen, who also pretends to know nothing about politics.

"Don't forget Brison came back and won the next election," says Lefty. "So did the McKay family after they let Mulroney borrow their riding for a while."

"This byelection must be the strategy of somebody – I just can't figure out who," says Delahanty. "The Premier would like to keep Tory around and most rural Conservatives would like to see the back of him.

"Here's the plan," says Fixx. "Tory runs in one Conservative riding after another and loses them all, one at a time. And then there are no more Tories. No more Tory, either."

Dizzy with scone crumbs, The Brown Dog Jiggs is warming himself by the tearoom's unlit fireplace. He hopes nobody tries to change his name.

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Trail shouldn't be a "personal passageway" for ATV riders

from page 6

First ATV use is far more limited to local users on shorter rides who provide virtually no economic stimulus for the county other than perhaps a minor trail fee and a pittance in fuel purchases.

This leads to the second problem of exhaust, dust and noise pollution that they bring with them. At a time when every thinking person is concerned about the size of the carbon footprint they leave behind on the environment it seems strange and out of character for the county to be encouraging such an outdated form of entertainment for little gain.

The summer in Haliburton has so much more to offer the growing and more affluent environmental toursists than a noisy, dusty and polluting trail.

I strongly encourage the county to do what has been done with such success in many parts of Canada by turning an abandoned rail bed into a non-motorized hiking and biking trail. Let's get out of the 1980s and with the 21st century. There is much to be gained from the green tourism industry, but virtually nothing from ATV use.

On a personal level I resent the fact that the Rail Trail is constantly being used by ATVs as their own personal passageway to trespass on the thousands of acres of private property that abut the trail. I know several of my landowning neighbours feel the same way. Whereas snowmobile trespassing from the Rail Trail onto my farm has dropped to virtually nil over the last 10 years, ATV trespassing has steadily increased to the point of it being almost a daily occurrence throughout the summer. Let me assure you there is nothing that can make the blood boil faster than watching half a dozen screaming ATVs trespass through your cow pasture during calving season.

The county needs to do the right and obvious thing, designate the Rail Trail as a non-motorized, family and eco-friendly summer attraction.

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To Minden Residents Connected To The Sanitary Sewer System

The Township of Minden Hills is strongly requesting all residents connected to the sanitary sewer system to be extra cautious when having your fuel oil tank filled by a fuel oil contractor. During this past Christmas holidays, a very large spill of fuel oil ended up in the sanitary sewer system and required emergency measures to have it cleaned up and prevent the fuel oil from entering the Gull River. The wastewater plant had to be monitored on a continuous basis and a specialized contractor had to be retained to control and remove as much fuel oil as possible. All of this came at a very high cost to the Municipality and was not included in the budget process. If your sump pump is connected directly to the sanitary sewer system or if you have a floor drain in your basement, any liquid material that may be spilled will end up in the sanitary sewer system and eventually, the wastewater plant for treatment. It should be noted that if your sump pump is connected directly to the sanitary sewer pipe leaving your home, it is considered an illegal connection. The Township of Minden Hills will be conducting a survey in 2009 of all homes connected to the sanitary sewer system to determine if there are illegal sump pump connections and to determine what residential and commercial properties have floor drains. Please watch for more information on these issues later in the spring. If you require further information, please contact Mr. Bob Romberg, Environmental Manager, at 705-286-1260, ex. 216.

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MEETINGS & EVENTS

Jan 6-31	My Backyard, Agnes Jamieson Gallery
Jan. 14 – Mar. 28	Journeys of R.D. Lawrence, R.D. Lawrence Place
Jan 21- Feb 18	2pm or 6:30pm Winter Discussion Series, Agnes Jamieson Gallery
Jan 29	Council, Council Chambers 9AM
Feb 6, 7, 8	Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament
Feb 12	COTW, Council Chambers 9AM
Feb 14-16	Winterfest Minden
Feb 26	Council, Council Chambers 9AM
July 10-12	Haliburton County Sportsman Show

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Agnes Jamieson Gallery, Minden Hills Museum,
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Journeys of R.D. Lawrence
Jan. 14 – Mar. 28 - R.D. Lawrence Place

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Agnes Jamieson Gallery presents…

A Books Arts Mosaic: Canadian Bookbinders & Books Artists Guild
Feb 5 – Feb 28

Opening Reception Thursday February 5 at 6pm
Curated by Canadian book artist Lise Melhorn-Boe this exhibition consists of 26 pieces by 38 Canadian book artists. The collection includes pieces which are delightful and beautiful, moving and inspiring. This exhibition challenges the imagination and shows us what can be done with paper in book form.

Joan of Arc panels by André Lapine
February 5 – February 28

Opening Reception Friday February 6 at 6pm
In 2006 the Agnes Jamieson Gallery received a most unique donation – an eight paneled room divider which was painted by André Lapine depicting the life of Joan of Arc. Done in an illustrative style with remarkable expression this piece is one of the most significant pieces in the Agnes Jamieson Gallery collection. This is the first time for this work to exhibit.

Joan of Arc (1948) movie with Ingrid Bergman
Thursday February 5 at 6 pm

This Technicolor film was directed by Victor Fleming; starring Ingrid Bergman as the French religious icon and war hero. The film is a straightforward recounting of the life of the French heroine.

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Prior to 1889 another three room wooden school was built across the road, where children sat on benches and used slates for their writing tablets. After 1889, a Model School was built to actually train the teachers who would then remain in the village to train for a certain period of years. Many teachers would end up marrying and raising their families here. Then in 1941 yet another brick school was built that housed three classrooms, a lunch and playroom and washroom. More children were in attendance than ever before and three teachers were on staff. In 1951 an annex was required to be added and basement rooms were eventually made into classrooms.

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Rail Trail must serve various interests

Motorized vs non-motorized use the most contentious

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"The impact of opening the trails (to ATVs) has tripled business and brought new life to the motel," Bradley said, adding that this was particularly true during the "shoulder months" of the spring and fall.

Bradley called Haliburton's Rail Trail a "hub" and said it was vital as it acts as a connector to other area trails.

The current rail master plan permits ATV use on the trail from June 1 through the end of November.

Several members of the Haliburton ATV Association also spoke in favour of continued use of the trail by ATV users.

Association president Mark Coles said the organization makes a "real tangible contribution to the wellbeing of the Rail Trail," in that its members pay for and maintain signage along the trail, pay for and perform renovations to the trail and its infrastructure and perform warden services on the trail, even outside of the ATV season.

Recently, members replaced the decks on the trail's two bridges.

"It's easy to overlook how much work this was," Coles told the room, adding that association members also volunteer their time to pick up garbage along the trail.

Several association members requested that the trail be opened to year-round ATV use.

In his turn at the podium, Haliburton County Snowmobile Association president Andy Chvedukas spoke of the thousands of dollars which snowmobile riders pump into the area's economy each year.

Currently, snowmobilers have exclusive use of the trail during the winter months.

When the question of sharing the trail with cross-country skiers or snowshoe hikers was raised, Chvedukas said he didn't think the association's insurance carrier would respond well to such an idea.

Chad Ingram/TIMES

Andy Chvedukas argued that the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association's insurance wouldn't cover other Rail Trail user groups.

"We would like to stay away from that as much as possible," he said. "It's highly frowned upon."

A few members of the Haliburton Highlands Trail Riders requested that the trail be opened to off-road motorcycles, which are currently not permitted.

Others spoke of banning motorized vehicles from the trail.

Dick Charron, a member of the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition, said he would like to see the trail open to non-motorized forms of transportation only from April until November each year.

"There are large groups of cyclists that are intimidated by cars and trucks on the road," Charron told the committee.

He said the trail's relative flatness makes it ideal for both beginner cyclists and seniors, but said that the surface, while suitable for mountain bikes, should be repaired to allow for use with road bicycles.

Charron said that the dust, noise and fumes created by ATVs make accessing the trail difficult for some cyclists and said there are also serious concerns about safety.

Kate Hall, a co-ordinator with Haliburton's Communities in Action, suggested the section of the trail between Haliburton village and Gould's Crossing be reserved for non-motorized use.

Hall also suggested the trails conditions should be improved, saying the trail's rough surface makes it difficult to push strollers on and causes problems for some cyclists.

Letters from local equestrians, nature-lovers and the Haliburton County Joint Accessibility Committee also called for a ban or partial ban of motorized activities on the rail trail.

Of the 17 people who spoke and 18 letters that were read, the majority of respondents were in favour of continued or extended motorized use of the trail.

The feedback from the meeting is to be included in a report that will be reviewed by committee members as they draw up a new five-year master plan.

Letters will be accepted until February 6 and can be sent to the trails and tours network in Carnarvon.

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You can go to the dump more often in Algonquin Highlands

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands council officially approved new operating hours for the municipality's five landfills at a meeting on January 22.

The changes were made after township staff received a barrage of phone complaints regarding landfill hours this summer.

Changes include longer operating hours on Sundays, later closing times at some landfills on Fridays and a reduction in two-day closures.

The new schedule also guarantees that, holidays notwithstanding, a landfill somewhere in the township is open on any given day of the year.

Residents will receive new landfill cards in the mail and new service hours will be effective as of May 1, 2009.

Algonquin Highlands dips into reserves, cuts fire department spending

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the storm water management system at the Dorset Recreation Centre.

In an attempt to keep this year's budget small, staff also proposed to cut funding for a number of projects and reduced some of the township's reserves.

"Tough economic times require a tough economic budget," Mitchell said.

The Algonquin Highlands Fire Department was burned with almost $100,000 worth of cuts to training, education, mileage, equipment purchases and equipment and property repairs.

However, councillors said there is a strong likelihood that a sizeable portion of the nearly $30,000 they were able to skim out of various areas of the budget will go back to the fire department.

A spatial review and expansion of the municipal building worth $65,000 have been cancelled, as have a $15,000 lease for a snow blower at the Stanhope Airport and $25,000 worth or repairs at the St. Nora dock and landing.

Two of the township's airport properties have been budgeted for sale at $100,000, although Mitchell said he thought the properties were worth more than this.

There is some difficulty in budgeting those kinds of "soft numbers," he said.

Also, nearly $60,000 will come out of the township's septage development and waste reserves.

Also included in the budget are $176,000 worth of hard surface rehabilitation on Oliver Road and Barry Line, $46,000 for potential airport expansion construction and $25,000 for paving the airport's hangar and installing security fencing on the property.

Council noted that no capital projects were completed at the airport in 2008.

Overall, the 2009 budget includes estimated expenditures of just more than $6,560,000 and estimated revenues of just over $3,762,000.

Both expected expenditures and revenues are down from last year's budget.

"I think they took into consideration that we are looking at tough times," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison as she reviewed staff's work.

Harrison stressed that this year's budget is a bit of anomaly and that having continually lean budgets is not a sustainable long-term practice. "This can't happen every year," she said.

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- be a minimum of 18 years of age
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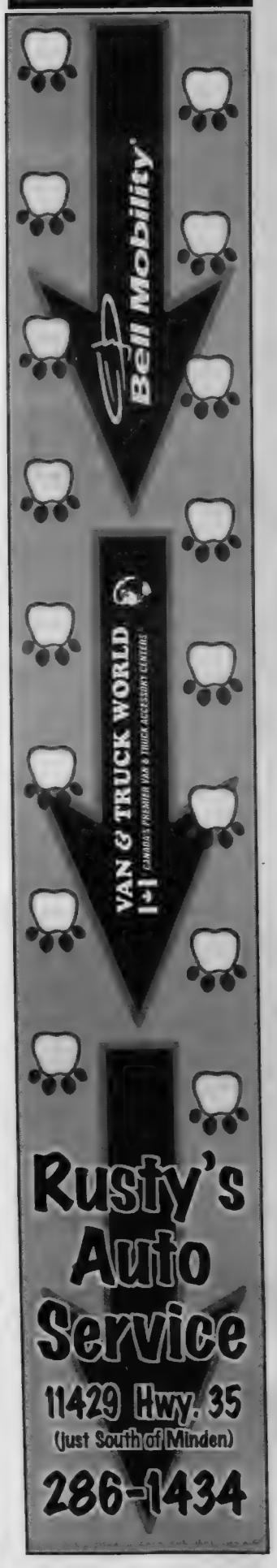

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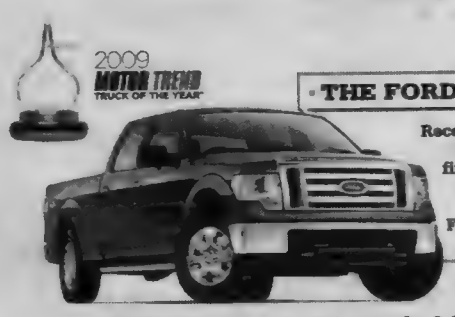

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Foundation is the rock upon which cultural programs in Minden are built

Repetition is a godsend when it comes to donations and that makes all members of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre Foundation Olympus-worthy, says Sheryl Loucks, co-ordinator of Minden's R.D Lawrence Place.

The foundation made a $5,000 contribution to the centre last week, part of a three-year, $15,000 comitment.

"The foundation's board of a dozen people have pulled off the magic trick of fundraising," says Loucks. "It is no surprise that the foundation is the lead donor for the R.D. Lawrence Place capital campaign. The mere fact that it is no surprise is what makes their feat so extraordinary."

The foundation was a lead supporter in the capital campaigns for the Agnes Jamieson Gallery expansion and the construction of R.D. Lawrence Place. The foundation committed $15,000 over three years, a promisary note that Loucks said was crucial to securing provincial, municipal and other funding.

"The economic downturn did not stop the foundation from raising their second installment of $5,000 in 2008," she said. "A few members of the board stopped by the Place recently to celebrate. I can't count the number of times these three men have been here helping out or assisting the centre outside of their roles with the foundation."

Loucks was speaking of foundation chair Michael Fay, and members Leo Sepa and Jack Brezina, who attended a funding announcement last week.

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Michael Fay, Leo Sepa, and Jack Brezina of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre were thrilled to be able to present Daniela Pagliaro, director of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, and Sheryl Loucks, co-ordinator of R.D.Lawrence Place with a cheque for $5,000. The money is part of the foundation's commitment to R.D. Lawrence Place.

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Preparing for a party

Hyland Crest residents Mary Coltman (left) and Murriel Bullivant (right) mail invitations for this year's Hyland Crest Annual Formal Dinner with some help from activity aide Joane Drake. This year's dinner will take place on February 19 and will feature entertainment by Steve McCullough.

MNR looking for biofibre proposals

Ontario is looking for innovative ways to turn available wood from Ontario's Crown forests into new investment and jobs.

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Arrow flies again with local artist's tribute

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

While the demise of the Avro Arrow is an infamous part of Canadian history, for one Minden resident, it's also part of his childhood.

Marc Shroetter's father was an engineer on the controversial aviation project and the artist recently paid tribute to the golden anniversary of the record-breaking plane with a painting.

"The painting of the Arrow happened [last] year because it was the 50th anniversary of its flight," Shroetter said.

Born in Newmarket in 1953, Shroetter was just a young child when the plane made its debut in 1958.

He was just five years old when the Canadian government suddenly cancelled the project in 1959 and his father, Walter, like many engineers and scientists who had worked on the Arrow project, moved to the United States to take a job with an American aerospace company.

"It was a life-changing event," Shroetter said.

After Shroetter's mother was able to sell their home in Ontario, the rest of the family followed Walter to the Los Angeles suburb where Shroetter would grow up.

see ARTIST'S FATHER *page 15*

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Minden artist Marc Schroetter displays a painting he recently completed depicting the Avro Arrow. Schroetter's father was an engineer on the project and his family moved to California in 1959 after the project was cancelled.

Artist's father part of Avro Arrow project

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For perhaps obvious reasons, Shroetter said he became an aviation enthusiast as a child.

"I used to build model airplanes when I was a kid," he said, explaining that some models required being painted with complicated camouflage patterns. "I think that's where I learned colour theory."

Shroetter would go on to study art at the Art Center College of Design in Pasadena and California State University, but said he's never lost his fascination or appreciation of aviation.

"I think [art] is really closely connected to aviation because there is this idea of being able to release ourselves from the bonds of the earth," he said. "Now man can do it with imagination or he can do it in the sky."

Shroetter, along with his brother and father, moved back to Canada in 2006.

"My dad wanted to come back home," he said.

Walter passed away in the winter of 2006.

Shroetter said his decision to relocate back to Canada came partially from his disenchantment with the direction in which America seemed to be heading at that time, but mostly from a desire to get back to his roots.

"I'm making this my home," he said of Minden, an area he said he enjoys for its scenery and its people.

Prints of Shroetter's Arrow tribute are available for purchase at his Crowne Gallery on Bobcaygeon Road.

Christmas fundraiser raises $93,000

by JENN WATT
Times Staff

The following are brief reports from the January 22 meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services board.

The HHHS Foundation's Christmas fundraiser is just $2,000 short of its $95,000 goal, executive director Dale Walker told the board.

The chair of the board, Marg Risk, congratulated Walker on bringing in so much money in an economy that made people "nervous."

"The Christmas campaign is labour-intensive and expensive to run," Walker said. She said it costs the foundation 38 cents to raise $1 when all other costs are factored in, though she said she'd like that amount to be lower in the future.

eHealth strategy

Canada is far behind the rest of the developed world in e-health technology, the Local Health Integrated Network eHealth lead organizer told the board.

There is a $2.5-billion plan for Ontario to drastically increase the amount of information that is digitized and linked together during the next five years and HHHS will be part of that, Lewis Cooper said.

A large part of the strategy is getting data stored appropriately and upgrading hospitals and family doctors so they can share information digitally.

Better communication on the horizon

The new CEO and president of the HHHS, Paul Rosebush, said that his focus in the position will be bettering communication inside the organization as well as being more open with the community. He said he wants the community to be engaged with the hospitals and aware of challenges the health-care system will face in this economic climate.

Auxiliary donates GlideScope

The Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary bought a GlideScope for the Haliburton hospital with funds from its December Italian dinner. It is a fiber-optic intubating device used to secure airways. The auxiliary was able to get the tool for $9,200.

More than 100 attend first day of ice racing

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The roar of engines and the smell of exhaust filled the air at the Minden fairgrounds on the morning of January 24 as banged-up Chevys and old Volkswagens navigated their way around a track of sheer ice.

The Magnum Ice Race Series is hosted by the Ontario Region of the Canadian Automobile Sports Club (CASC) and will continue over the next five weekends.

"The whole Ontario series is run in Minden," said Mindenite and organizer Tom Prentice. "[Racers] come here from all over the province. I know some guys who come from North Bay and Ottawa."

Prentice said that approximately 100 racers made their way to Minden on Saturday and 95 on Sunday.

"Our numbers were down a bit," he said, but noted that it was the first racing weekend of the season. "Some guys don't have their cars ready yet."

Prentice said ice racing is a sport enjoyed by young and old alike.

"They're right across the board," he said. "Some are into their 70s and some are young guys who have just got their licence."

Prentice said he thought the sport's affordability is what makes it so popular.

"Most motor sports are unaffordable for the average guy," he said. "This sport is set up to be affordable. The races are free to watch and will be taking place at the fairgrounds for each of the next five weekends beginning at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday.

Chad Ingram/TIMES

Ice racers put the pedal to the metal at the Minden fairgrounds on January 24. Racing will continue at the fairgrounds for the next five consecutive weekends.

RiverKings get rattled by Bradford team

by MATT JAMES
Times Staff

The RiverKings were easy prey for the Bradford Rattlers on January 22 when they suffered a 14-3 blowout. A win two days later against the lowly Tamworth Cyclones acted as brief anti-venom but the Rattlers struck again January 25 for a 6-3 win.

Prior to game one against the Rattlers it was agreed by RiverKings head coach Brooks Robinson and a few fans that the game against Bradford would indicate how good the RiverKings really are.

"They beat us up," said Robinson. "They outskated us right into the ground."

He said his team shied away from their usual tight checking, hard hitting, and grinding hockey style. And, like most of their home games, this one took an ugly turn half way through.

Penalty arms got raised, players got frustrated by the lack of physicality allowed by the refs, the game lost what little flow it had and the refs never regained control.

Things came to a boil for Robinson near the end of the game. Robinson said one of the refs "literally hit one of our guys." After sharing his disgust with the ref, Robinson was subsequently ejected.

"It's the same old thing we've been battling all year," said Robinson. "Sometimes I feel that the refs think they're the most important part of the game. And it's not that it was one-sided."

Robinson said the league's officiating has been sub-standard and reasoned that while players play the game, the referees are the ones who set the tempo.

"You have to let some momentum take place," he said. "In a league that's this hard and fast and heavy you gotta have quality guys to look after it or they're going to lose control."

But Robinson isn't so blind that he blames only the refs.

"We took some stupid penalties," he said. "That's our biggest curse this year."

In game two against the Rattlers Robinson felt the refs still missed a few calls but nobody was upset because they let the little things go for both teams.

Strangely, Sunday's rematch against the Rattlers was the polar opposite, apart from still losing.

"It could have gone either way right till the end," said Robinson, who pulled his goalie with 1:30 left to play since the team was down two goals.

Robinson felt the difference-maker between the two games was that Minden played their game in the second match.

"We got the guys back on the same page," said Robinson. "We just shut them down. I was really proud of the guys."

Another factor in game two were the penalties – or, dare I say, a lack thereof. Each team took only two penalties throughout the entire game.

After Thursday's game Robinson admitted he was angry with his players and expressed those feeling to the team. On Saturday against Tamworth he juggled his lines and found line combinations he liked, which he said may have helped in Sunday's closer game.

Local newcomer Matt Eno has joined Jeff Beail and Brett Meyers on the top line while centre Devin Hunter pivots RiverKings returnee Ryan Gould and Zach Joanu.

The RiverKings depth is seen with the third line and fourth line of Thomas Falardeau, Tyler Wright and Jordan Joanu and Matt Lytle, Tyler Crego and Mike D'Agostino, respectively.

Defensively the RiverKings are quite sound and the towering Calvin Northam may have learned a valuable lesson from Thursday's game. He'll stay out of unnecessary scrums and penalties after Robinson benched him for Saturday's game against Tamworth.

"The penalties becomes a little hard to accept when you know if you get rid of that aspect of your game that you're a great team," said Robinson.

It's been a season of ups and downs but there are more bright spots than dark ones for the RiverKings, who secured a playoff spot last week and are just one point behind the Brock Bucks for fifth in the conference.

"If the boys can stay out of the box and play hockey we're going to be hard to deal with," Robinson said of the approaching playoffs.

The RiverKings are 14-19-1 and on paper are showing a more balanced roster with added toughness compared to the start of the season. And underneath it all Robinson seems to like what he sees with only seven games left in the regular season.

"We could be the Cinderella story of the league," he said.

Matt James/TIMES

A focused RiverKings's defenseman Bryar Hill skates back up ice last Thursday against Bradford. Hill has impressed head coach Brooks Robinson with his hockey-smarts and puck patients.

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Rockin' time at the Winter Mixed Bonspiel

by STEVE ROBSON
Special to the Times

On January 23 and 24 the Minden Curling Club hosted its annual winter mixed bonspiel. This year's event attracted teams from Port Perry, Uxbridge, Haliburton and Minden curling clubs. Many of the 16 teams were repeat entries.

The two-day affair began on Friday night with two draws and concluded on Saturday with four draws and the finals. The event was capped off with a banquet and awards presentations. Thanks are extended to club volunteers Jack and Winn Taylor, Jim and Marion Gillanders, Ross Bryant, Pat Woodcroft, Iain Kay and Joyce Nilsson.

The "A" division winners from the Minden Curling Club skipped by Alf Trotter with Dana Kinsman (vice), Paul Prentice (second) and Patti Prentice (lead) were awarded the Jug City Trophy.

The "B" division and Haliburton Highlands Copy Centre Trophy was won by the Minden Curling Club team of Norton Garry (skip), Barb Millington(vice), Dave Millington (second) and Sandria Garry (lead).

The "C" division and Bill Kulas-Re/Max Realty Trophy winners were the Port Perry Curling Club team of Larry Rogalski (skip), Carrie Rogalski (vice) Mark Bramley (second) and Nancy Bramley (lead). The "D" division and Coneybeare's Butcher's Shop Trophy went to another Minden Curling Club team, this time skipped by Royce Miller, with Jean Broersma (vice) Larry Goreski (second) and Pam Weiss (lead). Many thanks to the trophy sponsors, Jug City, Haliburton Highlands Copy Centre, Bill Kulas-Re/Max Realty, and Coneybeare's Butcher Shop.

"A" division winners of the Jug City Trophy are, from left to right, Patti Prentice (lead), Paul Prentice (second), Dana Kinsman (vice), and Alf Trotter (skip).

"B" division winners of the Haliburton Highlands Copy Centre Trophy are, from left, Norton Garry (skip), Barb Millington (vice), Sandria Garry (lead), and Dave Millington (second).

"C" division winners of the Bill Kulas-Re/Max Realty Trophy are, from left, Nancy Bramley (lead), Carrie Rogalski (vice), Larry Rogalski (skip), and Mark Bramley (second).

"D" division winners of the Coneybeare's Butcher Shop Trophy are, from left, Royce Miller (skip), Jean Broersma (vice), Larry Goreski (second), and Pam Weiss (lead).

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Minden curlers compete at provincial competition

by NANCY WALKER
Special to the Times

Gananoque was the site of the Junior Men Ontario Provincial curling championships from January 7 to 11.

Jake Walker and Edward Cyr, both of Minden, were part of this amazing competition.

Jake, who skips a team based out of Oakville, and Edward, who vices for a team from Kitchener, both are attending Waterloo University.

The teams qualified by winning their respective zone, and then regional competition, to be one of the eight teams to represent our province. There were 73 teams vying for 32 spots in zones across the province, and then the 32 teams played each other to become the top eight in the province.

Connor Duhaime, of Minden, and representing the Minden Curling Club, and Curtis Nichol, of Haliburton, playing with a team from Peterborough, also won their respective zones. They both played in the regional competition but narrowly missed the chance to play in the provincials.

The Ontario competition consists of a round robin. Each team plays seven games, and first place is the team with the most wins. The first-place team then plays the winner of the semi-final game (second and third place team) for the championship. The winner goes on to represent Ontario in Salmon Arm, British Columbia, competing against the winners of each province of Canada. The national winner will then go on to represent the world.

Jake's and Edward's teams each finished with a record of three wins and four losses, placing them in the fourth and fifth position. The competition at this level is extremely difficult, and all the teams competing are equally capable of winning on any given day.

The winner of the provincials this year, and representing Ontario in British Columbia, is team Bowie Abbis-Mills from the Kitchener-Waterloo Granite Club.

Jake, Edward and Connor started curling together at a very young age. Their first major win was when they were in Grade 7 and 8 and came in third (out of 100 teams) at the Timbits Elementary School Competition in Ottawa. Shortly after that, they each went their separate ways, and have been competing every year in the Ontario Junior Curling Tour. All are doing very well. Jake is a member of the university curling team this year and Edward was a member of the team last year. Connor is in Grade 12 and is skip of the Haliburton high school curling team. They have a lot of competitions coming up so watch for their progress.

Let's not forget to mention Jesse Walker and Owen Duhaime. Jesse plays with a team based out of Peterborough and Owen with a team from Westmount.

Jesse and Owen are still Bantam age (16 and younger). They have recently won their respective zones, and this past weekend, January 17 and 18, both teams came out on the top two in their region. This means that from February 5 to 8, Jesse and Owen's teams are two of the eight teams that will playing in Oshawa in the bantam provincial competition. Congratulations and good curling.

Jesse, Owen, and Curtis Nichol are also all part of the Haliburton Red Hawks curling team skipped by Connor Duhaime.

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High Single: Barb Ballantyne 172
High Triple: Barb Ballantyne 473
High Single w/hdcp: Kay Orr 239
High Triple w/hdcp: Kay Orr 655

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Tuesday night, January 20
Men
High avg: Ken Thompson 212
High single: Ken Thompson 263
High single w/hdcp: Charlie Robb 289
High triple: Ken Thompson 717
High triple w/hdcp: Ken Thompson 753
Ladies
High avg: Marlene Robinson 181
High single: Clara Vuksic 251
High single w/hdcp: Clara Vuksic 305
High triple: Clara vuksic 629
High triple w/hdcp: Clara Vuksic 779

Tuesday afternoon, January 20
Men
High avg: Ken Thompson 219
High single: Emile Duchene 259
High single w/hdcp: Emile Duchene 320
High triple: Ken Thompson 637
Ladies
High avg: Lillian Mattsson 180
High single: Jane Duchene 185
High single w/hdcp: Jane Duchene 261
High triple: Barb Milligan 477
High triple w/hdcp: Jane Duchene 702

Wednesday, January 21
Men
High avg: Ken Thompson 209
High single: Ken Thompson 308
High single w/hdcp: John Whitty 255
High triple: Ken Thompson 673
High triple w/hdcp: John Whitty 732
Ladies
High avg: Carol Snow 174
High single: Betty Ablett 217
High single w/hdcp: Betty Ablett 281
High triple: Muriel Winterburn 506
High triple w/hdcp: Muriel Winterburn 710

Thursday, January 22
Men
High avg: Ken Thompson 214
High single; Bob McMath 25
High single w/hdcp: Bob McMath 294
High triple: Bob McMath 594
High triple w/hdcp: Bob McMath 717
Ladies
High avg: Miranda Vercesi & Clara Misco 164
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Gail Perrin, right, teaches Girl Guides Makenzy Jewett, Chelsea Smallwood, Alyssa Stiver, and Maria Perrin about dogsleds before going for a ride.

Lightning, Rain, Storm and Thunder pull Girl Guides Chelsea and Alyssa, while Gail operates the sled.

Maria loves throwing snow into the air for Thunder and Thunder loves catching it.

Dog days of winter

The outdoor fire at Gail Perrin's place on Segwick Road struggles to burn and it's almost useless for warmth with an air temperature of -16°C. But the cold didn't dissuade a small group of Girl Guides from wanting to learn about dogsledding.

On January 17 the Minden Girl Guides and their group leaders Amanda Davis and Patti Northey arrived to the Perrin residence to some excited pooches.

On the snowy flats of Perrin's land, Lightning, Rain, Storm, Thunder, and Flurry, the five dogs in dogsled training, were busy playing in the snow with the kids. The incessant barking was dog-talk for "put on our harnesses, we can't wait to get going!"

As the dogs waited impatiently to run, Perrin first had some educating to do. She took the attentive Girl Guides through some dogsledding terminology and the different types of sleds, their functions, and how and why they're designed. Of course she talked about the dogs too.

And before the kids got too cold it was time for a ride around Perrin's extensive track. One lucky girl got to steer the sled by herself while Flurry pulled her along.

And of the fire, well it eventually came in handy for cooking hot dogs after the activities. And a cup of hot chocolate warmed the children's core while the dogs were happy to get a treat for their superb performance.

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Storm's all ready to go, Thunder takes a well-deserved rest.

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Banners will help mark Minden's 150th celebration

For a third year, the Minden Hills Festival of Banners is ready to help artists brighten the community.

"The banners have been a popular and much admired attraction in Minden," committee chair Deborah Lyons says. "The work has attracted compliments from residents and visitors alike. Once again this year we are offering the opportunity to artists to show their colours."

Entries are now being invited for the 2009 Minden Hills Festival of Banners. Submissions are being accepted for the anticipated 60 locations throughout the community in the open competition. There are an additional 27 locations reserved for elementary school students and a portion of the locations in the open competition will be reserved for high school students.

The competition is open to everyone interested in brightening up the community by creating a colourful banner. "We have been pleasantly surprised by the mix of professional and amateur artists who have participated in the past," Lyons said. "Some of the artists, who hadn't painted for years, were equally impressed by their ability to create a colourful banner. Others reawakened talents they had left untouched since high school or discovered a skill they didn't know they had."

The theme for this year's Minden Hills Festival of Banners is co-ordinated with the community's sesquicentennial celebration: "150 Years of Minden Memories." Entries should reflect the theme, and the selection committee has been asked to make this one of the areas of consideration. Organizing committee member Jack Brezina pointed out, "The theme this year is tied to Minden's sesquicentennial celebrations. There are many ways of depicting 150 years of Minden memories. Interpreting the theme can appear to be quite daunting, but in fact reducing the complex down to individual elements makes it simpler to illustrate it in a banner. For example the logging heritage of the area could be portrayed by a broad axe stuck in a tree stump, a saw blade slicing through a log or a horse's head in harness." Brezina added, "While the theme references an historical theme, it need not be represented by images of the distant past. Recent events are as much a part of the 150 years of the community's history and could be subjects for the banners as well."

Those interested in participating are asked to submit a maquette (small scale representation of their design) for consideration by the selection panel. There is a $5 entry fee. Participants will need an official entry form, which is available from The Storeroom in Minden, call 286-1424 or by requesting one by email (before January 30), from: kevker@sympatico.ca

Entry deadline is Saturday, February 14.

Members of the Minden Hills Festival of Banners Organizing Committee include Deborah Lyons, Jack Brezina, Cammy George and Marc Shroetter, with the help of many volunteers.

Check out the Photo Gallery on our website:

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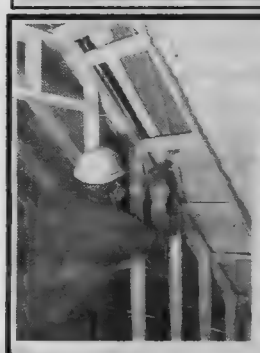

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Minden guides enjoy a toe-painting spa night

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Last Tuesday, I popped in to see the new grocery store at Carnarvon Bowl, appropriately named Carnarvon Food Market and General Store. There I met Evan Hansen, the proprietor of this new endeavour. Most of us know Evan from the summer season selling his wares in the Carnarvon Bowl parking lot. Evan always sold great quality veggies and fruit at his roadside stand, so it only made perfect sense to move the show indoors.

As the song says, "We've only just begun." Same goes here but in the area that Evan uses he has a pretty good selection of high quality goods. Evan promises to keep his prices competitive, and to keep his stock fresh and appealing.

Evan plans to keep the store open seven days a week with hours from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

With his enthusiastic approach to this new venture, I for one will help it along by buying my groceries there whenever I can with the two cents that I have. Contact phone number for Evan is 489-4216.

There are some things that many of us aren't aware of. One of them is the Minden Girl Guides and Pathfinders that meet every Tuesday night at the Community Centre in Minden. The only reason I know this is that Alyssa (my granddaughter) is part of this group. I have attended their meetings a few times but lately I have been drawn in to assist... and it isn't so bad. They are at an energetic age eager to learn and the leaders are always planning something. They sing catchy songs and plan fun things to do. Just a few weeks ago, they even went dogsledding!

Gina Atkinson/TIMES

Minden Guides recently gathered for a spa night. Pictured are Alyssa, Madison, Makenzy, Maria, Suzanna and Savannah. The leaders are Patti with her camp name of "Gadget" and Amanda a.k.a. "Kool-aid."

Last Tuesday, they had a "spa night" where the girls were invited to wear PJs and have a night of pampering. We all sat around in a circle doing nails, learning things but basically encouraging comradeship. The big thing with the girls was painting every toe a different colour. I chickened out – I hope the dark blue nail polish comes off my toes!

It's a relatively a small group so new members are always welcome. The age group varies from nine to 15. On this particular night only the Girl Guides were there.

To get involved or to join up your daughter please call Amanda at 286-1172. You will get to see first hand how much fun it can be!

Neighbour Joleen Thomas is now on the board of directors for the Haliburton Nordic Trail Association. Joleen would like any crosscountry enthusiast to know that there is an improved Twin Lakes Cross Country Ski Trail north of Minden.

The trail totals 6.5 kilometres in length. To get to the trail-head, turn off Highway 35 at the 12 Mile Lake dam. This is just south of Wedgewood Marina where Gonyea Eaves, Siding & Renovations is now located. The first left proceed up the driveway of the Twin Lakes Resort where you will find the parking lot at the end of the driveway. Trail permits are required and can be purchased at the trail-head or one of the many participating resorts.

Day passes are $10 for adults, $5 for students and free for children under the age of 12. Information can be obtained by visiting www.skihaliburton.com or the Haliburton tourism office at 1-800-461-7677. Enjoy the ski season!

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Trillium Lakelands DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

PUBLIC INPUT

Trillium Lakelands District School Board is doing a program and accommodation review of Cardiff Elementary School and Wilberforce Elementary School due to declining enrolment.

There is a Committee called the "PARC" (which stands for Program and Accommodation Review Committee). Members of the PARC would like to invite you to give your input.

There will be four (3) public input meetings during the 2008-2009 school year.

Wednesday, February 11, 2009	6 p.m.	Wilberforce Elementary School
Wednesday, April 1, 2009	6 p.m.	Cardiff Elementary School
Wednesday, May 20, 2009	6 p.m.	Wilberforce Elementary School

Individuals or groups wishing to speak at a public input meeting need to fill out an Input Form and send it to one of the schools or to the school board. The form is found on the TLDSB website www.tldsb.on.ca or at Cardiff or Wilberforce Elementary Schools.

1. **Presentation by an individual**
   Individuals may present to the PARC at one of the public input meetings listed above and are given up to 5 minutes to speak. Please bring with you a written summary of your presentation for the PARC.

2. **Presentation by a group**
   One person representing a group or organization may speak for up to 10 minutes at one of the public input meetings listed above. Please bring with you a written summary of your presentation for the PARC.

3. **Written Submissions**
   Individuals and organizations are welcome to submit input to the PARC in writing at any time. Input forms are available on the Board website and at each of the schools.

4. **Question Period**
   There will be an opportunity at the end of each public input meeting for questions. Members of the public will be invited to ask questions of the PARC.

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Here are the winners of the Big Bucks Bid Euchre on January 21 at the Kinmount Legion. The top three in order were Leona Lane, Albert Foster and Pearl Cowen with Helen Mykytyk holding the hidden score. This popular event is held on the third Wednesday of each month at the Legion beginning at 11 a.m.

Member Ellie MacNeil-Burroughs will be the guest speaker at the February 11 meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre sharing her experience while researching her family roots. Doors open at 6 p.m. with the speaker at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome, and there is no admission charge. For more information contact Gail Leach-Wunker at 286-2225.

The Kinmount Legion invites everyone to watch the Super Bowl at the branch on Sunday, February 1 with doors open at 3 p.m. for a variety of pre-Super Bowl activities including drop-in shuffleboard and darts. A light lunch will be available. Continuing with legion news, on Saturday, February 14, in conjunction with Valentine's Day Support Our Troops, enjoy live entertainment by 23 Litres from 2 to 7 p.m. along with draws, raffles and a pot luck luncheon. Proceeds from this special event will go to the Support Our Troops Fund. For information on the regular programs at the branch including Friday night bingo at 6:45 p.m ., Saturday meat draws, shuffleboard and darts give the legion a call at 488-3462.

Valentine's Day, Saturday, February 14 will also be the date for Kinmount's annual Winterfest celebration with fun for the whole family including a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Community Centre. Then there will be a variety of outdoor activities at the arena on the fairgrounds from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. including a parent/child hockey game, snow pitch tournament (488-9954), a skate-a-thon from 11 a.m. to 12 noon (488-2919), chili making contest and horse drawn sleigh ride all in support of community youth events. Later that evening bring your special Valentine to the Kinmount Community Centre and dance to live music by J.L.Avis and the Barn Burners from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Tickets are $10/person which includes a light lunch. For ticket information give Kinmount Freshmart a call at 488-2211. Dance proceeds will benefit Kinmount minor sports.

Municipal government deals directly with many of the major issues affecting our daily lives. For Kinmount area residents here is an opportunity to meet City of Kawartha Lakes Mayor Ric McGee and exchange information and ideas with him. Mayor McGee will be holding a series of community meetings across the City with one at the Kinmount Community Centre on Thursday, February 19 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Now for the scoring news with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

January 20 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: Tied for top spot at 244 were the duos of John Platt and Peggy Beattie and Ray Lymer and Sandy Poulton. Second place went to Connie Sawyer and Joan Meadows at 241 then Beth Titus and Cliff Davison took third at 221. The afternoon's low score of 135 went to Diane Platt and Flo Roussel. Thanks to Pearl Cowen for her update.

January 20 euchre at Gelert: Harold Harvie reports that Don Hicks won for lone hands while Hazel Benetin and Tom Grix recorded the high scores. The evening's lows were claimed by Eleanor Young and Bruce Shepherd with Pearl Cowen taking the draw.

January 20 bid euchre at Minden Legion: First for the ladies was Verna McDonald 285 with Sharron Atkinson a close second at 284 and Gala Stamp 253 third. Leading the gents at 306 was Tom Grix then Marcel Roussel 293 and Karen Chapman 269. The draw winners were Phyllis Windsor, Vi Howell, Gala Stamp and Karen Chapman with single moonshots going to Yvette Izzard and Don Burch and doubles to Marcel Roussel, Archie Ross and Elva Paisley. Thanks to Pat Scadden for his update.

January 20 contract bridge at Club 35: Paul Pethick led the scoring at 5,110 followed by Norma Crewson 4,700 and Jackie Metcalf 4,660. The Shiny Penny was awarded to Kathie Porter with Dorothy Strype winning the lucky draw.

January 21 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Playing the Mitchell method Linda Cherry and our bridge reporter Muriel McIntosh were first in North/South at 63 per cent then Stella McMillan partnered with Ross Davies at 56 per cent. Over in East/West top spot went to Bruce Armstrong and Doug McIntosh at 60 per cent with Jack and Willie Cox second at 57 per cent.

January 21 bid euchre at Stanhope: Linda Lambert reports that Leroy Mowat, Jean Dutka (2), Lottie Ruttan and Chris Clarke took the moonshots. Tom McCartney led the white cards at 265 with Tom Grix and Jack Cox tied for second place at 263 while Len Kroes claimed third place at 251. For the pinks Betty Jochim was first at 236 then Verna McDonald second at 232 and Willie Cox a close third at 231.

January 22 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Gwen Cox and Bob Pollard with Donna and Ray McArthur winning for ladies' and men's high scores. The lows went to Kay and Tom Orr with Kay Naylor, Sharron Atkinson, Helen Luffman, Albert Foster and Karen Chapman taking home the other prizes. Thanks to May Bradbury for her update.

January 23 bid euchre at Club 35: The single moonshot went to Linda Voycey with Jim O'Brien holding the hidden score. Helen Windsor led the pinks at 223 with Barbara Gamble next at 173 and our reporter Mary Pearson 141 third. For the white cards Fred Gregory took top honours at 156 then Dave Switzer 153 second and Clara Miscio 149 third.

January 23 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Using the Howell movement Stella McMillan and Fran Smith were first at 63 per cent, Ross Davies and Muriel McIntosh second at 58 per cent and in third at 52 per cent Linda Cherry partnered with Norma Crewson .

January 23 euchre at Staanworth Court, Minden: June Branning reports that John Taylor won for high hands, Doreen Francis for lone hands, Beth Titus for low hands and Nick Boekestyn for the special prize.

January 24 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Leading the white cards at 319 was Theresa Deak with Archie Ross and Margaret Fletcher tied for second at 241. Verna McDonald topped the pinks at 340 followed by Vi Howell 278 and Pat Roussel 272 with Vi and Margaret Fletcher taking the moonshots.

January 26 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Verna McDonald and Marion Stickwood with Pearl Cowen and our reporter Tim Sharpe recording the high scores. The lows went to Betty Sharpe and Bill Mosley with Verna McDonald and Gwen Cox winning the special prizes.

January 26 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: The top trio members in order were Donna McArthur, Marion Leslie and our reporter Pauline Franzen. Ron Morrison won the draw and Marion Leslie took the afternoon's only two moonshots.

January 26 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Don Jemmett reports that June Branning won for high hands, Carol Derbyshire for lone hands and Doreen French for both low hands and the special prize.

January 26 euchre at Club 35: Holding the most lone hands was our reporter Garth Windsor with Dorothy Upton and Ivan Kernohan taking high score honours. The evening's lows went to Iris Freeman and Linda Voycey while Clara Miscio took home the bologna.

January 26 cribbage at Minden Legion: The high scoring trio members in order were Joe Rivers, Tom Grix and Gala Stamp. The evening's other prizes were claimed by Tom Grix, Ann Cundall, Lorna Hicks, Ray McArthur, Verna McDonald and Sharron Atkinson.

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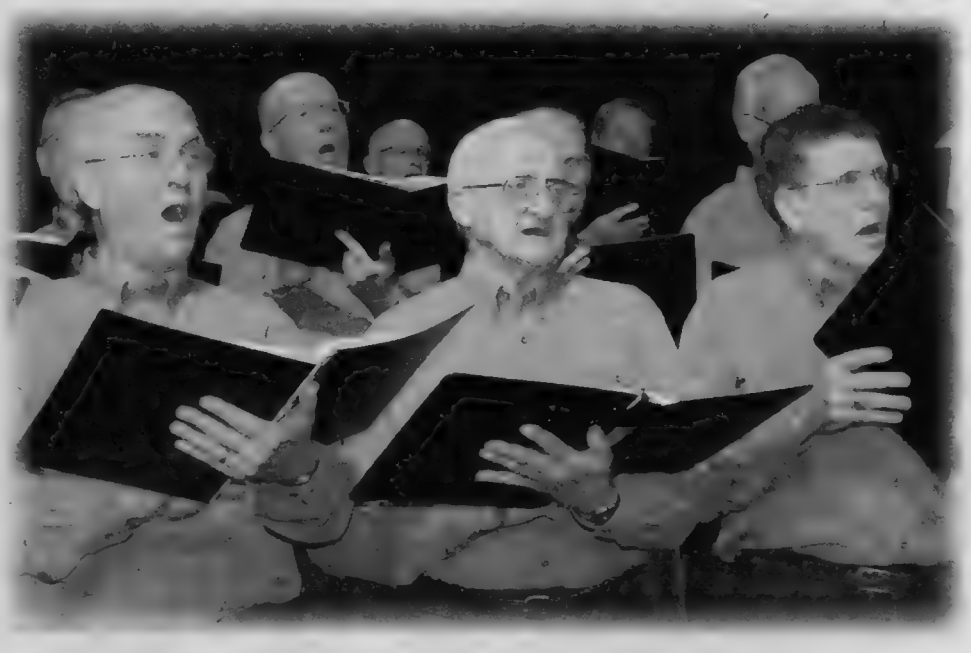

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Valentine's Dinner & Dance

Saturday, February 14th

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community calendar

What's happening in Minden

Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca

Having an event this summer? List it for free in the Summer Guide
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• January 29: Guided Meditation continues at the Rails End Gallery – Facilitated by Ryan Dawson every Thursday evening 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Everyone welcome, admission is by donation. Positive visualizations to quiet the mind, calm the body and stir the spirit.

• January 30: 2009 Taylor Cup Pond Hockey Championships – 4-on-4 pond hockey tournament from January 30 to February 1st at Bayview Wildwood Resort on Sparrow Lake, just north of Orillia in support of the Princess Margaret Hospital Cancer Research Fun. For more info, directions and registration visit www.taylorcup.ca

• January 30: The Haliburton County Folk Society Presents Tanglefoot with Ryan Dawson Opening – Come join us at the Northern Lights Pavillion, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School at 8 p.m. Tickets are available in Haliburton at theYork Street Internet Cafe 457-8902 or in Minden at the Haliburton Highlands Copy Centre 286-2110. Better order your tickets now, tickets are only $15 advance or $20 at the door. For more information www.haliburtonfolk.com and www.tanglefootmusic.com

• January 30: The Haliburton-Kawartha Maple Syrup Producer Association is holding annual general meeting at the Buckhorn Community Centre - The day starts at 9 a.m. and will include presentation on issurance issues for maple producers, organics and maple forest pests. Lunch is included. For more information call Sam McLean before January 25th at 705-657-1630 or 2131 or email him at smclean@mcleanberryfarm.com

• January 31: The Kawartha Marine Modellers will hold a ship model show on Saturday, January 31 at Lindsay Square Mall on Kent St. In Lindsay - from 10 a.m. Until 5 p.m. Models from battleships to tugboats, sailin ships to submarines will be on display. Come and learn about the fascinating hobby of model ship building and radio control. For more information please call John at 705-324-4240 or Tony at 705-328-0526

• February 1: Everyone is welcome to Wilberforce Legion Branch 624 – We are having a dance with D.J. Jamie Bacon.

• February 2: Learning begins at the Minden OEYC – A baby's brain has best times for learning. Parents with children 0 to 2 yrs join us for the 3 sessions to find ways to give your child a best start in thinking and doing. For more information or to register phone 286-4625 or email oeycparented@bellnet.ca

• February 2: Mother Goose at the Haliburton OEYC – Join us for 10 weekly sessions and enjoy a friendly and relaxed morning of fun and learning rhymes, songs, finger plays and stories for your infant! Monday mornings from 10-11 a.m. For more information or to register at 286-4625 or with Point in Time at 457-5345 or email oeycparented@bellnet.ca

• February 4: First Steps – A 5 week learning series designed to provide the public with general information about dementia, and Haliburton County resources – Register now! February 4, 11, 18, 25 and March 4, 2009. Ruth Parkes Room, Haliburton Highlands Hospital. Call Carol Browne at 455-9220 ext. 502

• February 5: Guided Meditation continues at the Rails End Gallery – Facilitated by Ryan Dawson every Thursday evening 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Everyone welcome, admission is by donation. Positive visualizations to quiet the mind, calm the body and stir the spirit.

• February 5: OEYC Play and Learn visits Lloyd Watson Community Centre in Wilberforce – From 9 :30 a.m. – noon. Families with children from 0-6 years join us for activities, crafts, music circles, guest speakers, nutritional snack and more! For more information phone Julie at 286-1770 or leave a message at 457-2989.

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis.** While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.ca., or brought in to the office.
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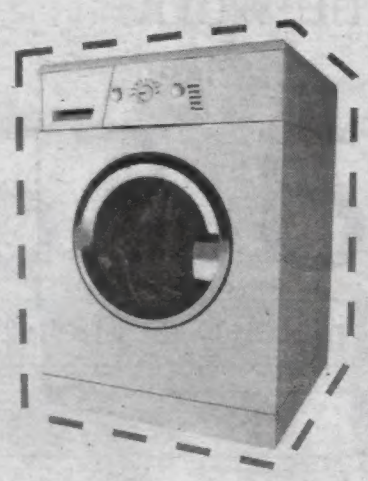

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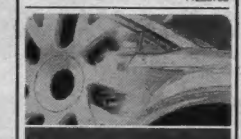

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WEDDINGS

Nicole Sisco & Jacob Rauche

Saturday, September 13th, 2008

Time is running out!

See details inside this week's paper.

Call 457-1037 or 286-1288

Obituaries

Ronald Johnson

(Resident of Minden, Ontario)

Peacefully at Extendicare-Haliburton on Monday evening, January 19, 2009 in his 81st year. Beloved husband and best friend of Judy Johnson (nee Barnes) of Minden. Sadly missed by his daughter Jill of Barrie, his son Lance of B.C. and their mother Evelynne. Dear brother of Vern (Gwen) of Ajax. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Amy (Michel), Kevin (Laura), Candy (Scott) and Cayton and his great grandchildren Ella, Jasmine, Quinton and Alexia. Also remembered by his mother-in-law Dorothy, his sister-in-law Linda, and his brothers-in-law Donald & Ronald.

Visitation & Memorial Service

Friends may visit with the family at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** on Saturday morning, January 31, 2009 from 10 o'clock until time of the Memorial Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation would be appreciated by the family.

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Obituaries

Madeline Cooper

(Resident of Norland, Ontario)

Peacefully at Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay on Wednesday morning, January 21, 2009 in her 78th year. Lovingly remembered by her companion Ernie Brazeau. Beloved wife of the late Thomas (Brad) Cooper. Loving mother of Edward and his wife Lexanne of Oshawa, and Nancy & her partner Janet of Toronto. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Quinn and Jay. Madeline was predeceased by her son Larry in 1976.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to visit with the family at the **COBOCONK COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 6644 Hwy. #35, Coboconk, Ontario (705)454-3913 on Sunday afternoon, January 25, 2009 from 2 - 4 and 7 - 9 p.m. Then to **NORLAND UNITED CHURCH** Hwy. #35, Norland, Ontario on Monday morning, January 26, 2009 from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service at 11 o'clock. Interment later Pinegrove Cemetery, Norland. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family.

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Ambrose Watson
May 5, 1901 - Jan 27, 1989
20 Years
and
A Thousand Thank-You's

We have so many things to say Daddy
Just don't know where to begin
A thousand thank-you's just isn't enough
For all the things you've been.

You did so many things for us
Your heart was kind and true
And when we needed someone
We could always count on you.

It broke our heart to lose you
But one thing makes us glad
That we were blessed to be your daughter and grandson
For all the wonderful years we had.

"Who loves you Boy-O"

With a special love from deep down inside
Your daughter Charlene & Grandson Steven

11392234

In loving memory of **Annie Miscio** who passed away January 27th, 1993.

We who love you
Sadly miss you
As it dawns another year
In our lonely hours of thinking
Thoughts of you are ever near

Sadly missed Ruth, Carl, Iris and Families

11391006

Miscio, Annie - In loving memory of my dear mother who passed away January 27th, 1993

It broke our hearts to lose you,
You did not go alone, for part
of us went with you, the day
God called you home.

Sadly missed by daughter Gladys & Family

11393048

In memoriam

Miscio, Annie - In loving memory of my dear mother who passed away on January 27, 1993.

We mention your name,
And speak of you often
God bless you dear mother,
You are never forgotten

Fondly remembered by your daughter
Nelly and families

11393741

Miscio - In memory of my parents, mother **Annie** who left us January 27th, 1993 father **Mikel** September 25, 1972.

Your presence we miss
Your memories a treasure
Loving your always
Forgetting you never

Sadly missed by daughter Ruby & Children

11391044

Roy Ernest Windover
January 25, 2005

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KINMOUNT
Great 1st time home buyer opportunity. 3 bdrms, 2 baths, EBB heat & airtight. Quiet, rural location on school bus route. Fabulous lot with majestic pines & privacy. ATV & snowmobile access to the Rail Trail 300 meters away. Garage pad poured & ready to build on. Great potential. Sold in 'as is' condition. **Call Steve Brand**

$499,000
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Prime building lot. 7.8 acre/380' southern exposure, sandy beach area & walking trails. Cozy 850 sq. ft., 2 bdrm home just renovated. EBB & airtight, drilled well. 2 car garage. Perfect to use while building dream cottage. Convert later to family compound guest quarters. Spectacular building site exists closer to the lake. Septic approved. Close to major snowmobile & ATV trails & miles of boating. **Call Steve Brand**

Geoff Bunn
Haliburton Office
457-1011 Ext.242

$149,900
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SOLD

Fred Chapple*
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BOSHKUNG LAKE
Fantastic 3 lake chain! This waterfront property has the WOW factor! Level, landscaped lot with rippled golden sand beach. Custom built 5 bdrm bungalow with open concept kitchen & living area with FP. 22'x13' screened-in sunroom. Large deck, 2 car attached garage as well as a 2 car detached garage. Call for more details. **Call Fred Chapple**

Bill Kulas
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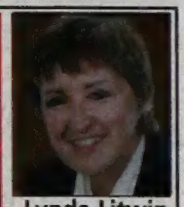
$229,000
MINDEN-10 VINTAGE CRESCENT
Just listed! This solid 3 bdrm all brick bung. with full bsmt is situated in much sought after Mckayville. Close to Archie Stouffer School and walking distance to town. Large, nicely treed lot, att'd garage/breezeway, reno'd kit, bath, hrdwd floors, windows, doors & much more. Check out www.BillKulas.com for all the details & virtual tour. **Call Bill Kulas**

Denise LeBlanc
Minden Office
286-2911 Ext.33

$259,900
POSSIBLE BED & BREAKFAST OR HOME BASED OFFICE
Location, location, location, full of character & endless possibilities. Located on a gorgeous lot right on Bobcaygeon Road which would lend itself beautifully to a home based office or a bed & breakfast. This 5 bdrm home is well equipped to handle lots of people from the screened in porch, bright & sunny living room, formal dining room & the rec room. Walk to all amenities and on town water & sewers. too. **Call Denise LeBlanc**

$259,900
ALMOST 5 ACRES CLOSE TO TOWN
Freshly painted & sparkling clean this spacious 4 bdrm home awaits you. Main flr features include: master/ensuite, french doors off the living room, mudroom entry & lrg eat-in country kitchen/dining rm. Glass sliding doors lead you out to a lovely screened in porch & wrap around deck which make sharing time with family & friends in the pool tons of fun. The 34.8 acre lot provides good privacy is a nice mix of lawn & forest to enjoy visits from the local deer. Finally a bright fully fin'd bsmt with new carpet, family & rec rm tops off this great package.. **Call Denise LeBlanc**

THREE BEDROOM HOME
Oversized garage, perfect location for a home based business and on the Gull River in Norland. Call for details.
Call Lynda Litwin



Lynda Litwin
Minden Office
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SOLD

Karen Nimigon*
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457-1011 Ext.224

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY
Great location at the 'Gateway to the Highlands' located at Moore Falls. Large frontage Hwy. 35 as well as 240' frontage on Moore Lake. Building is approx. 9,500 sq. ft. with C1 zoning. 2 upper apartments could provide added rental income. Previously used as a variety store & marina. Call for details. **Call Tom & Gail Tempest**

Tom* & Gail Tempest***
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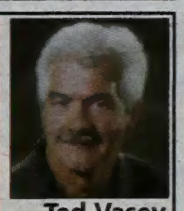
$339,900
MOUNTAIN LAKE
Well maintained waterfront home. 1,596 sq. ft. of living space. Tastefully finished in pine. Open concept living, 3 bdrms, walkout to fully finished basement with family room. Guest cabin.
Call Ted Vasey



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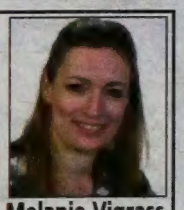

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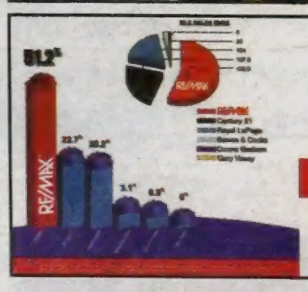

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- **February 7th: Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament**
  from 8:30 to 4:30 pm at SG Nesbitt Arena. Four divisions: Open, Over 35, Over 55 and Women. Visit www.communitycarehaliburton.com or call 457-2941. All proceeds support Community Care.
- **Badminton**
  Adult Badminton every Monday from 8-10 p.m. Starting September 15th to May 25th at Archie Stouffer Elementary School, Minden. Join us for fun, fellowship, and fitness. For further information please call 286-1765.
- **Haliburton Highlands Stroke Support Group**
  meets the third Thursday of each month 10 a.m. -12 noon in the Fireside Lounge, Minden Hospital. This is for all stroke survivors and their caregivers. For info call Lois 286-1765.

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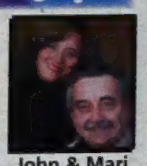

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